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**FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA**— “Today, Fairfax County Executive Edward L. Long Jr. presented his proposed FY2015 budget to the Board of Supervisors. This Advertised Budget reflects many different economic factors, including flat commercial tax revenues and lower than expected sales, hotel, and business and professional license tax revenues. The one area that is experiencing an upward tick is the assessed value of residential property in the County. This will be a very challenging budget.

Throughout the next weeks my colleagues and I will be providing extensive community outreach opportunities for discussion on the budget. A number of Budget Town Meetings and Forums will be hosted throughout the County where residents can learn about the budget and how it could affect County services and programs. Information on these meetings and other opportunities will be listed at the Department of Management and Budget website at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dmb](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dmb). This site provides a wealth of information about the current and past Adopted Budgets.

One major component of the County Executive’s proposal is the advertised tax rate. The rate (currently \$1.085 per \$100 of assessed value), when approved for advertisement by the Board on March 4<sup>th</sup> will represent the maximum potential tax rate for FY2015. Through the budget process, the Board may adopt a rate lower than the advertised rate, but cannot adopt a higher rate. According to the County Executive’s proposed budget, one penny of the tax rate is equal to roughly \$21.9 million in the general fund and \$50 for the average Fairfax County residential tax bill.

Through my Bulova Byline newsletter, website (<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/chairman/>), and Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/SharonBulova](http://www.facebook.com/SharonBulova)), I will provide additional information regarding the budget as the process unfolds. I look forward to having the community at the table as we work together to keep Fairfax County the incredible place it is to live, work, and play.”

**Sharon Bulova**

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Budget Event	Date
Release of the County Executive's FY 2015 Advertised Budget Plan (including Multi-Year Budget: FY 2015 and FY 2016) - 10:40 a.m.	February 25, 2014
<a href="#">Ask Fairfax</a> Online Chat with County Executive - 2:00 - 3:00 pm	February 28, 2014
Board of Supervisors' Meeting: Advertisement for FY 2015 Tax Rate and FY 2015 Third Quarter - 10:30 a.m.	March 4, 2014
Board of Supervisors Budget Committee Meeting - Govt. Center (CR 9/10) - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	March 18, 2014
Board of Supervisors Budget Committee Meeting - Govt. Center (CR 9/10)	April 1, 2014
<b>Effective Tax Rate Hearing (FY 2015 Budget) - Board Auditorium - Govt. Center - 3:00 p.m. *</b>	<b>April 8, 2014</b>
<b>Public Hearing on FY 2015 Budget - Board Auditorium - Govt. Center - 6:00 p.m. *</b>	<b>April 8, 2014</b>
<b>Public Hearing on FY 2015 Budget - Board Auditorium - Govt. Center - 3:00 p.m. *</b>	<b>April 9, 2014</b>
<b>Public Hearing on FY 2015 Budget - Board Auditorium - Govt. Center - 3:00 p.m. *</b>	<b>April 10, 2014</b>
Board of Supervisors Budget Committee Meeting - pre-Mark-Up on FY 2015 Budget - Govt. Center (CR 9/10) - 1:00 p.m.	April 18, 2014
Board of Supervisors Meeting, FY 2015 Board Budget Mark-up and Approval of FY 2015 Third Quarter - 10:00 a.m.	April 22, 2014
Board of Supervisors Meeting, Formal Adoption of the FY 2015 Budget Plan - 10:30 a.m.	April 29, 2014
Beginning of FY 2015	July 1, 2014

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